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PATENTREMARKS

Claim 40 is added herein. Claims 1 and 3-40 will be pending upon entry of the amendment.

The following remarks are responsive to the final Office action dated June 14, 2005.

The undersigned thanks the Examiner for her willingness to discuss and reconsider the rejections set forth in the final Office action during the telephone conference on August 10, 2005. The telephone conference particularly focused on applicants' assertions that 1) the cited references, Kashiwagi and Enloe et al., failed to disclose the relative difference in stretch between the liner and outer cover upon loading and 2) there was no motivation to combine Kashiwagi and Enloe et al.

No agreement was reached on the first issue. However, an agreement was reached that no motivation existed for making the combination of Kashiwagi and Enloe et al. set forth in the final Office action. Accordingly, the Examiner agreed that in response to the present amendment the Examiner would withdraw the final Office action and reopen prosecution.

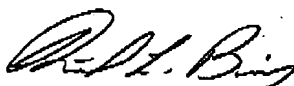
The undersigned requests a phone call from the Examiner if any or all of the above is incorrect.

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Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1 and 3-40 as now presented is respectfully requested.

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